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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/722,679  
Applicants: Hirotoshi ISHIDA, et al.  
Filing Date: November 28, 2003  
For: SWEETENER COMPOSITION  
Group Art Unit: 1761

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:  
**Letter to Commissioner**  
**Information Disclosure Statement**  
**List of Related Cases**

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**LETTER TO THE COMMISSIONER**

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Applicants note that on August 10, 2004, a Request for Reexamination was filed in U.S. Patent No. 6,372,279. Applicants assume that, if the Request for Reexamination is granted, the Reexamination will be merged with the present Reissue Application.

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

**REFERENCES**

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

**RELATED CASES**

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with discussions on August 4, 2004 with Mr. Nicholas P. Godici, Commissioner for Patents, it is no longer required to submit copies of cited pending applications. A modification of the Rules will be published soon in the Official Gazette. Cited issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
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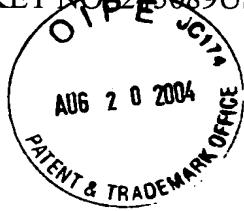
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